

INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT  
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: Mussante, 110 Hill Rd. Survey Number: PG: 72-48

Project: Metrorail Extension: Addison Rd. to Largo Agency: MTA

Site visit by MHT Staff: X no      yes Name                      Date             

Eligibility recommended      Eligibility not recommended X

Criteria:     A     B     C     D Considerations:     A     B     C     D     E     F     G     None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

The Mussante House stands on a 14.41 acre parcel on the east side of Hill Road, near the intersection of Central Avenue, just outside Seat Pleasant, in Prince George's County, MD. The property, consisting of a primarily residence and two outbuildings does not qualify for individual listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Mussante House was built in 1928 by Frederick E. Mussante who purchased an 18-acre parcel of land and replaced an older farmhouse on the site. The dwelling is a 2-1/2-story frame American four-square-type dwelling. It is set upon a rough-cut concrete block foundation, clad with a brick veneer, and covered with a hipped roof with a hipped dormer on the front elevation. The house is characterized by its form, and its craftsman-like detailing, including, most notably, windows set singly or in pairs and featuring double-hung sash with multi-pane upper sash over single-pane lower sash; a broad, encompassing roof; and a front porch with concrete piers supporting squat, diminutive columns. Adjacent to the house are two outbuildings. To the north is a frame corn crib and to the west is a two-bay frame garage with a gable roof.

The house is a representative example of the American four-square-type house--a dwelling form that was common to the period and one that is well-represented in this area of Prince George's County. The house, therefore, does not qualify for listing on the National Register under Criterion C. The property is still owned and farmed by the son of the original owner and building; it is not associated with persons or events significant to our past and does not, therefore, qualify for listing under Criteria A or B.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project Review and Compliance

Prepared by: Margaret Slater, Historic Preservation Specialist, Parsons Brinckerhoff Quade & Douglas, Inc.

Kimberly Prothro Williams June 20, 1996  
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence: ✓ yes      no      not applicable

Peter R. Kuntze 6/21/96  
Reviewer, NR program Date

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## MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

## I. Geographic Region:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Eastern Shore	(all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Western Shore	(Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Piedmont	(Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Western Maryland	(Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

## II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Paleo-Indian	10000-7500 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Early Archaic	7500-6000 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Middle Archaic	6000-4000 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Late Archaic	4000-2000 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Early Woodland	2000-500 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Middle Woodland	500 B.C. - A.D. 900
<input type="checkbox"/>	Late Woodland/Archaic	A.D. 900-1600
<input type="checkbox"/>	Contact and Settlement	A.D. 1570-1750
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rural Agrarian Intensification	A.D. 1680-1815
<input type="checkbox"/>	Agricultural-Industrial Transition	A.D. 1815-1870
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Industrial/Urban Dominance	A.D. 1870-1930
<input type="checkbox"/>	Modern Period	A.D. 1930-Present
<input type="checkbox"/>	Unknown Period ( <input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/> historic)	

## III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Subsistence
<input type="checkbox"/>	Settlement
<input type="checkbox"/>	Political
<input type="checkbox"/>	Demographic
<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion
<input type="checkbox"/>	Technology
<input type="checkbox"/>	Environmental Adaptation

## IV. Historic Period Themes:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
<input type="checkbox"/>	Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Government/Law
<input type="checkbox"/>	Military
<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion
<input type="checkbox"/>	Social/Educational/Cultural
<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation

## V. Resource Type:

Category: BuildingHistoric Environment: RuralHistoric Function(s) and Use(s): Domestic/Single Dwelling

Known Design Source: \_\_\_\_\_

**PROPERTY:** 110 Hill Road, Vicinity Of Seat Pleasant,  
Prince Georges County

**HISTORIC CONTEXT**

**MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN**

Geographic Organization:	Western Shore
Chronological/Development Periods:	Industrial/Urban Dominance
Historic Period Themes:	Architecture/Agriculture
Resource Type:	
Category:	Buildings
Historic Environment:	Transitional Rural/Urban
Historic Functions/Uses:	Residence Small Barn Garage misc. utilitarian outbuildings
Design Source:	unknown

**Maryland Historical Trust  
State Historic Sites Inventory Form**

RYLAND INVENTORY OF  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. P-72-48

Magi No.

DOE   yes   no

**1. Name** (indicate preferred name)

historic Mussante House

and/or common

**2. Location**

street & number 110 Hill Road    not for publication

city, town Landover X vicinity of    congressional district 5

state MD county Prince George's

**3. Classification**

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<u>  </u> district	<u>  </u> public	<u>X</u> occupied	<u>X</u> agriculture <u>  </u> museum
<u>X</u> building(s)	<u>X</u> private	<u>  </u> unoccupied	<u>  </u> commercial <u>  </u> park
<u>  </u> structure	<u>  </u> both	<u>  </u> work in progress	<u>  </u> educational <u>X</u> private residence
<u>  </u> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<u>  </u> entertainment <u>  </u> religious
<u>  </u> object	<u>  </u> in process	<u>  </u> yes: restricted	<u>  </u> government <u>  </u> scientific
	<u>  </u> being considered	<u>  </u> yes: unrestricted	<u>  </u> industrial <u>  </u> transportation
	<u>X</u> not applicable	<u>X</u> no	<u>  </u> military <u>  </u> other:

**4. Owner of Property** (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name John and Mildred Mussante

street & number 110 Hill Road telephone no.:   

city, town Landover state and zip code MD 20786

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's Co Courthouse    liber

street & number Main Street    folio

city, town Upper Marlboro state MD

**6. Representation in Existing** Historical Surveys

title   

date       federal    state    county    local

pository for survey records   

city, town    state

## 7. Description

Survey No. P. 72-48

### Condition

☐ excellent  
☒ good  
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated  
☐ ruins  
☐ unexposed

### Check one

☒ unaltered  
☐ altered

### Check one

☒ original site  
☐ moved      date of move \_\_\_\_\_

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Mussante House at 110 Hill Road is an American Foursquare built in <sup>1928</sup>~~1930~~. It stands on a 14.41 acre (5.7 ha) parcel on the east side of Hill Road, approximately 1,000 feet (304.8 m) north of Central Avenue. Situated on a small rise above Hill Road, the house is surrounded by mature trees in the immediate yard. To the north and south are houses fronting on Hill Road, to the east is modern subdivision development and to the west is Mussante farmland.

The frame 1928 house is an American Foursquare. It is two stories in height with a decorative concrete foundation, brick facing and an asphalt shingled hipped roof with wide overhangs and a plain frieze along the cornice line. A hipped-roof dormer has two side-by-side four pane windows. Windows on the four elevations are six over one double hung sash and are in single or paired arrangement. First story windows have a brick jack arch. The front (east) elevation has an entrance on the south side, a single six over one window and a paired six over one window on the north side. The windows have ornamental shutters. A one-story porch on a brick foundation spans the front elevation. It has wooden steps, a plain wood porch rail and balusters and wood Doric columns on decorative concrete block pedestals. The columns support a plain frieze and the flat porch roof. On the second floor are two paired windows with shutters. Both north and south sides have windows and the rear west elevation has a small one-story hipped roofed section that appears original. The interior appears relatively intact—it has its original oak floors, staircase and window and door surrounds. The kitchen has been remodeled. The house is in good condition.

Adjacent to the house are two outbuildings. To the north is a frame corn crib and to the west is a two bay frame gable roofed garage with rolled asphalt siding and a side shed addition.

## 8. Significance

Survey No. <sup>fr:72-48</sup>

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

### Specific dates

### Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D  
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The house is an example of the American Foursquare, a house type common in Prince George's County. The house is associated with a small farm owned by Frederick E. Mussante who came to this area of Prince George's County in 1928. Mussante purchased eighteen acres and built the existing house on the property to replace an earlier farmhouse. Mussante farmed the land and also worked for Potomac Electric Power Company. The house and fifteen of the original eighteen acres are still in Mussante family ownership. The descendants still farm the land.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. 72-48

Interview with property owner, John Mussante  
Prince George's Co Land Records  
Files, Prince George's County Historical Commission

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 14.41

Tax Map 46, parcel 177

Quadrangle name Washington DC East-MD

Quadrangle scale 1:24

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Tax map 46, parcel 177

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
state	code	county	code

## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title	Margaret Slater, Historic Preservation Specialist	date	11/95
organization	Parsons Brinckerhoff	telephone	(615) 327-8514
street & number	1900 Church St, Suite 500	state	TN 37203
city or town	Nashville		

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
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# PARSONS BRINCKERHOFF COMPUTATION SHEET

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Subject 110 Hill Road - Mussante House  
Prince George's County, MD

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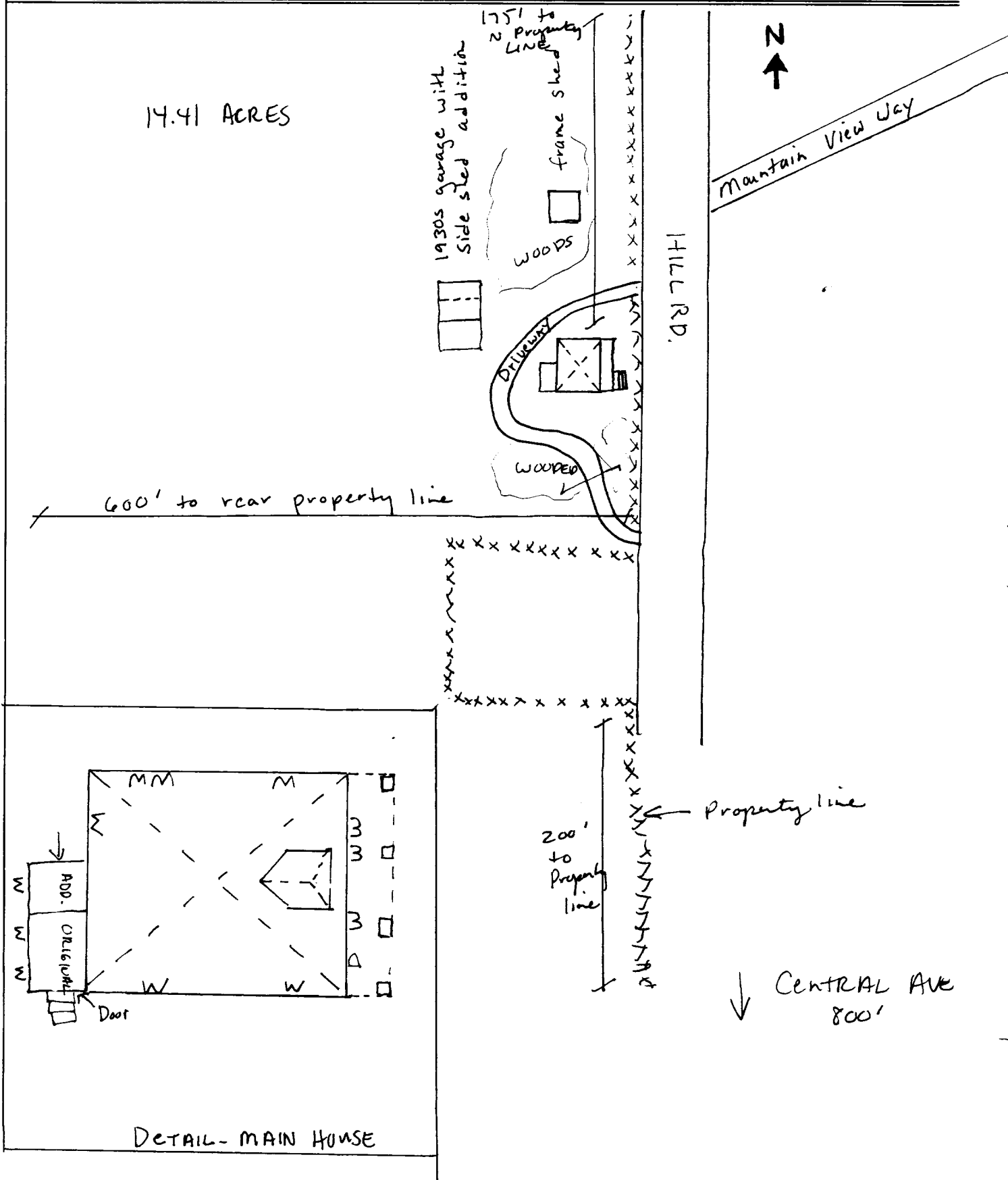
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Date \_\_\_\_\_











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View NW at front (east) elevation

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View SW at front (east) and north  
elevations

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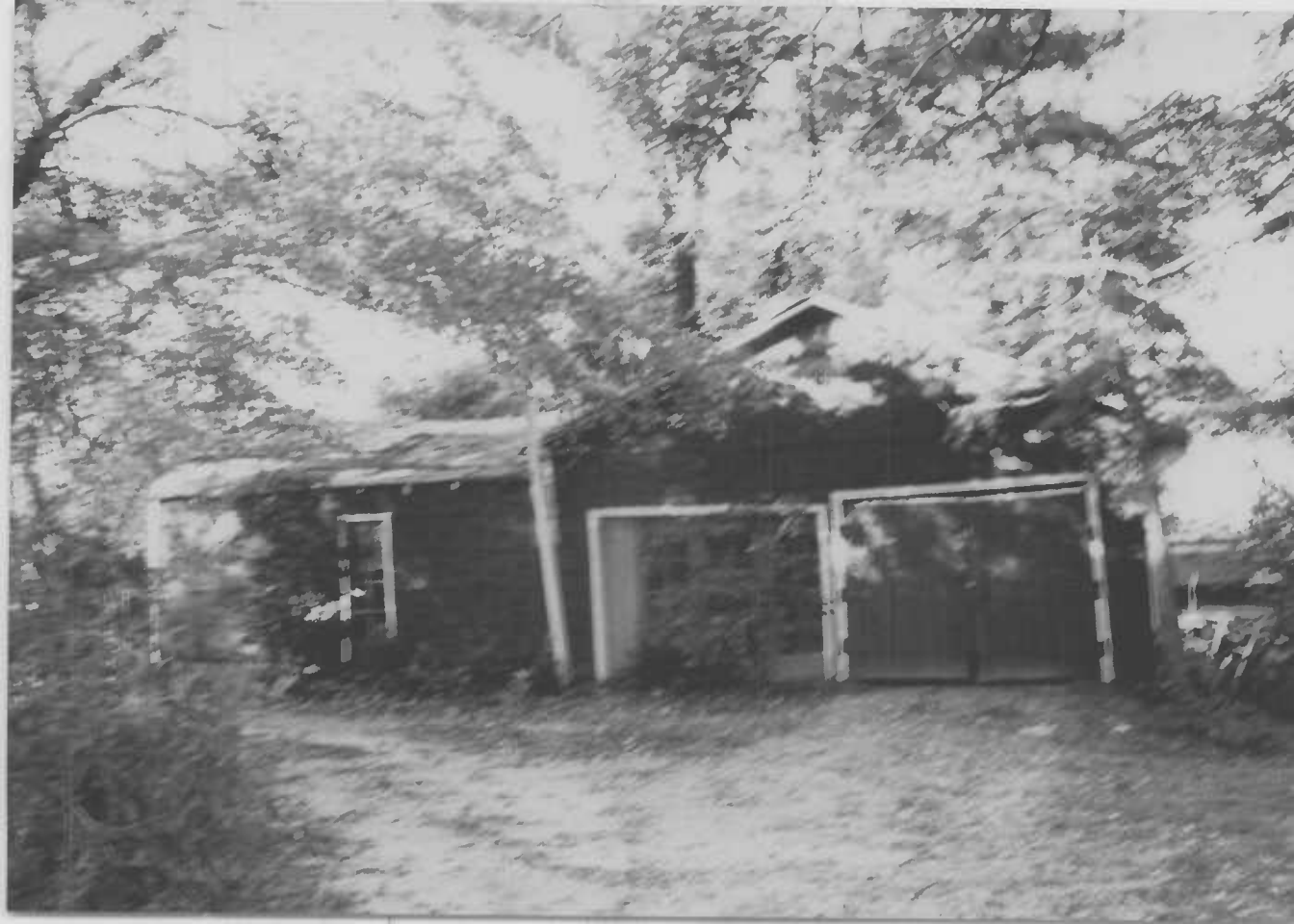
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View SE at north side and rear (west)  
elevations

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View west at garage to west  
of house

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